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Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 35—Relative to California Peace Officers' Memorial Day.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 35, as introduced, Correa. California Peace Officers' Memorial Day.

This measure would designate Thursday, May 3, 2007, as California Peace Officers' Memorial Day and would urge all Californians to use that day to honor California peace officers.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, May 3, 2007, is California Peace Officers'
- 2 Memorial Day, a day Californians observe in commemoration of
- 3 those noble officers who have tragically sacrificed their lives in
- 4 the line of duty; and

1 WHEREAS, Although California citizens are indebted to our
2 California peace officers each day of the week, we make particular
3 note of their bravery and dedication and we share in their losses
4 on California Peace Officers' Memorial Day; and

5 WHEREAS, California peace officers have a job second in
6 importance to none, and it is a job that is as difficult and dangerous
7 as it is important; and

8 WHEREAS, The peace officers of California have worked
9 dutifully and selflessly on behalf of the people of this great state,
10 regardless of the peril or hazard to themselves; and

11 WHEREAS, By the enforcement of our laws, these same officers
12 have safeguarded the lives and property of the citizens of California
13 and have given their full measure to ensure those citizens the right
14 to be free from crime and violence; and

15 WHEREAS, Special ceremonies and observations on behalf of
16 California peace officers provide all Californians with the
17 opportunity to appreciate the heroic men and women who have
18 dedicated their lives to preserving public safety; now, therefore,
19 be it

20 *Resolved*, That California's peace officers who were killed in
21 defense of their communities in 2006 be recognized;

22 Officer Rich May, East Palo Alto Police Department, End of
23 Watch: January 7, 2006

24 Officer Earl H. Scott, California Highway Patrol, Modesto, End
25 of Watch: February 17, 2006

26 Officer John Bailey, California Highway Patrol, Rancho
27 Cucamonga, End of Watch: February 25, 2006

28 Deputy Pierre W. Bain, Los Angeles County Sheriff's
29 Department, End of Watch: March 23, 2006

30 Sergeant Scott A. Hanson, Covina Police Department, End of
31 Watch: July 3, 2006

32 Officer Nick-Tomasito Birco, San Francisco Police Department,
33 End of Watch: July 26, 2006

34 Officer Brent W. Clearman, California Highway Patrol, Oakland,
35 End of Watch: August 6, 2006

36 Officer Landon M. Dorris, Los Angeles Police Department, End
37 of Watch: October 22, 2006

38 Deputy Jeffrey V. Mitchell, Sacramento County Sheriff's
39 Department, End of Watch: October 27, 2006

1 Deputy William Joe Hudnall, Kern County Sheriff's Department,
2 End of Watch: November 14, 2006

3 Officer Daniel S. Bessant, Oceanside Police Department, End
4 of Watch: December 20, 2006

5 Officer Bryan D. Tuvera, San Francisco Police Department, End
6 of Watch: December 23, 2006; and be it further

7 *Resolved*, That California's peace officers who were killed in
8 defense of their communities in prior years, but not yet enrolled,
9 also be recognized;

10 Constable Samuel D. Holman, Calaveras County Sheriff's
11 Department, End of Watch: March 10, 1901

12 Deputy Constable Joseph Mamola, Oakland Township
13 Constable's Office, End of Watch: April 13, 1927

14 Officer Roderick D. Gordon, Western Pacific Railroad, End of
15 Watch: September 8, 1935

16 Officer David D. Irwin, California Highway Patrol, South Los
17 Angeles, End of Watch: September 18, 2000; and be it further

18 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
19 *thereof concurring*, That the Members designate Thursday, May
20 3, 2007, as California Peace Officers' Memorial Day, and urge all
21 Californians to remember those individuals who gave their lives
22 for our safety and express appreciation to those who continue to
23 dedicate themselves to making California a safer place in which
24 to live and raise our families; and be it further

25 *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of
26 this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.